

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the **abstract** of the disclosure, as follows:

~~Techniques for using a universal media bar for controlling different types of media are described.~~—A method for providing a universal media bar used to control the rendering of different types of media on different devices or appliances used for such rendering. The media bar displays different icons depending on the type of media (dvd, audio, television, radio, etc.) being rendered. The media bar can be standardized regarding the order of the buttons is the same regardless of media type, although the action performed by the button will depend on the media type. For example, “pressing” a single forward arrow button might increase the volume, change a channel, change a music track, etc. depending on the media source. In addition, it is possible to alter each button to more enhance user interaction. The invention may display activities, which are media playing on a media source rendered by an appliance (for example a DVD being played on a DVD player, but rendered on a television).